Grand Jury Hears Case Of Sirhan

Los Angeles County Grand Jury convened today to hear evidence compiled so far against the accused slayer of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and receive a request for a murder indictment against Sirhan Sirhan.

Police and District Attorney Evelle Younger are seeking the indictment and a trial possibly within 60 days.

An indictment would aid agencies guarding the life of Sirhan held in County jail by eliminating a court appearance. If the grand jury for some reason would not indict Sirhan, police would have to file a murder complaint against him, then take him into an open court for arraignment. This is the step an indictment would sidestep. No arraignment is needed following indictment.

Police want him shielded from the public as much as possible to avoid a repeat of Dallas where Lee Harvey Oswald was slain by Jack Ruby en route from Dallas Police Headquarters to County Jail.

Six counts of assault with intent to commit murder already have been filed against the Jordanian--one for each of the six persons wounded during the assault on Kennedy.

Supermarkets Will Close In RFK Honor

Southern California supermarkets will be closed Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in commemoration of the death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

Robert Fox, president of the Food Employers' Council, said all the supermarkets would join in the memorial tribute.

All Thrifty Drug Stores will be closed until noon Saturday and Sunday.